



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Hodges et al.  
Application No. : 10/630,441  
Filed : July 29, 2003  
Entitled : **SENSOR WITH IMPROVED  
SHELF LIFE**  
Docket No. : 104978-239

Group Art Unit: 1753

Examiner: Kaj K. Olsen

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**RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2005. Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time and encloses a check to cover the required fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the required fees to Deposit Account No. 141449 under number 104978-239.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on the following page.